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TO AMEMBASSY ROME IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT: ITALY EARTHQUAKE REHABILITATION: A.I.D. DIRECTOR

REF: ROME 10915

1. AID HAS AGREED WITH CONSTANTINO'S "OPTION VII" WHICH EMBASSY ENDORSED IN REFTEL. THIS OPTION WILL REQUIRE EXTENDED AID INVOLVEMENT BOTH IN NEGOTIATING AND SEEING TO EXECUTION OF PROJECTS, INCLUDING PERIODIC DEALINGS WITH VARIOUS ITALIAN OFFICIALS, FOR AT LEAST TWO OR THREE YEARS. AID ADMINISTRATOR PARKER IS CONSIDERING NAMING COSTANTINO AS "DIRECTOR OF U.S. EARTHQUAKE ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS IN ITALY", WITH DUTIES AS STATED IN PARA 3 BELOW. YOUR FAVORABLE VIEWS OF COSTANTINO HAVE BEEN CONVEYED TO AID.

2. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE DIRECTOR WOULD VISIT ITALY FROM TIME TO TIME TO ENSURE PROPER OPERATION OF THE U.S. PROGRAM, BUT IT IS NOT RPT NOT PLANNED THAT HE WOULD RESIDE IN ITALY. UNDERSTAND COSTANTINO WILL RETURN TO ITALY TO CONTINUE PROGRAM NEGOTIATIONS IN MID-JULY.

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3. AID DIRECTOR'S DUTIES: THE DIRECTOR IS RESPONSIBLE
FOR AID'S PLANNING, PROGRAMING, IMPLEMENTING AND

MONITORING RESPONSIBILITIES RELATING TO THE PROGRAM FOR
RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ASSISTANCE TO ITALY AS AUTHORIZED
BY THE SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 1976.

A. IN CONSULTATION WITH EMBASSY ROME AND WITH THE
AMBASSADOR'S APPROVAL, DEVELOPS,NEGOTIATES, SIGNS AND
IMPLEMENTS PROJECT AGREEMENTS AND GRANTS TO APPROPRIATE
ITALIAN GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES AND PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS
AS ESTABLISHED BY THE U.S. - GOI "EXCHANGE OF NOTES" DATED
JUNE 16, 1976; AND WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE ITALIAN
REHABILITATION AND RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAM APPROVED BY THE
ADMINISTRATOR OF (A.I.D.)

B. CONSULTS WITH AND ADVISES THE ADMINISTRATOR, DEPUTY
ADMINISTRATOR, AA/SER, AND STATE/EUR
AND PROVIDES PROGRESS REPORTS TO THE U.S. AMBASSADOR TO
ITALY AS REQUIRED.

C. REQUESTS ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE, AS APPROPRIATE,
REGARDING PROJECT AND GRANT TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND
ADMINISTRATION, AND THE SPECIAL TECHNICAL EXPERTISE OF
SUCH STAFF OFFICES AS CONTRACT MANAGEMENT, FINANCIAL
MANAGEMENT, ENGINEERING, THE GENERAL COUNSEL AND THE
AUDITOR GENERAL.

D. IN COOPERATION WITH SER/FM, ADMINISTERS THE ITALIAN
RELIEF AND REHABILITATION FUNDS. KISSINGER

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